

**FREDERICK COUNTY HEALTH CARE COALITION  
AVAILABILITY COMMITTEE - SUMMARY  
OCTOBER 24, 2007**

**Attendees:** Jackie Douge', Monica Grant, Leigh Joos, Renee' Kyttle, Jenny McDaniel, Helen Monk, Jim Williams

**Review of 9/26/07 Committee Summary** – No questions or changes

**Executive Committee Meeting Update** – Meeting minutes from 10/1 and 10/15 have yet to be emailed to members; will be forwarded to Avail. Comm. once received. Last meeting focused on beginning review of Community Health Profile and the best means of distributing and prioritizing identified areas of opportunity and need. Prenatal Clinic Update given by Jim Williams; scheduled to open Dec. 1st

**Old Business:**

**Dental Survey** –Update given by Monica Grant; interviews with dental providers have been completed; since no due date for survey was given by DHMH, it is unclear when their evaluation of data might be completed

**Kaiser Grant** – Dr. Douge' shared that approximately 15 physicians/providers have been invited to participate in an operational meeting for development of the Frederick County Health Access Program, mid-November.

**Distribution of Resource Guide** – The guide is now posted on the coalition website and print copies were distributed at the large coalition meeting. Leigh shared that it, along with the Prescription Resource Guide, is now posted on the School Health computer drive. A mailing to county health care providers is planned in conjunction with materials from the Prescription Committee. Leigh will distribute print copies to school CASS coordinators via interoffice mail.

**New Business:**

**Report of CJA Conference** - Leigh attended the Communities Joined in Action Conference in DC, October 21 & 22 (thanks to a sponsorship by a CJA member). CJA is a national organization that supports community health initiatives seeking to improve health care access. The conference provided an excellent opportunity to gather information on programs across the country and network with community leaders, many of whom volunteered to share materials and lessons learned.

**CHRC (Community Health Resources Commission) Request for Proposals** – A copy of this was emailed to committee members; Monica, Jackie, and Leigh plan on listening in on the conference call 10/25 to learn more about this grant opportunity.

**Review of Community Health Assessment**

Excerpts from the profile summary were shared; committee members briefly discussed the request of the Exec. Committee to identify priority issues for the Availability Committee/Coalition. Committee members will examine its goals and action plan in light of the findings at the November meeting.

**Community Foundation Grant Application** – A letter was received asking representatives of the Coalition to meet with the grants committee, Nov 2<sup>nd</sup>, to answer questions re: the previously submitted application. Leigh, Jim Williams, Dr. Douge', and possibly Dave Liddle (since he assisted with the application), will meet prior to this to prepare for questions.

**Next meeting: 11/28/07, 4-5:30, FMH/classroom area**